# LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

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TO: Honorable Jeff Wentworth, Chair, Senate Committee on Jurisprudence

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**IN RE: SB232** by Harris (Relating to the rendition and issuance of a qualified domestic relations order, including an administrative qualified domestic relations order by the Title IV-D agency, to enforce child support obligations and to the designation of a child support obligee as an alternate payee under a qualified domestic relations order.), **As Introduced** 

# No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend statute related to issuance of a qualified domestic relations order, including an administrative qualified domestic relations order by the Title IV-D agency, to enforce child support obligations and to the designation of a child support obligee as an alternate payee under a domestic relations order. In addition, the bill would permit the IV-D director to administratively render a qualified domestic relations order to seize retirement benefits in full service IV-D cases. It is assumed that any additional costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within existing resources.

This bill takes effect September 1, 2007.

### **Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 302 Office of the Attorney

General, 323 Teacher Retirement System, 327 Employees Retirement System

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